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SUBJECT: DEFENSIVE LEGION OF REGISTERED AMERICANS, INC., aka. RM

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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of a Letterhead Memorandum containing a transcript of a phonograph record issued and distributed by captioned organization.

Two (2) copies of Letterhead Memorandum are enclosed herewith for WFO inasmuch as the latter part of the recording concerns a proposed march on Washington, D.C., 2/22/64.

The informant utilized in Letterhead is

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DEFENSIVE LEGION OF REGISTERED AMERICANS, Inc.
formerly known as Protective Legion of Registered
Americans, also known as Christian Voters and
Buyers League

A source advised in March, 1962, that **HERBERT WALLACE BUTTERWORTH**, Public Relations Director, **United Klans of America, Inc.**, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (**United Klans**), explained to a group of officials of **United Klans** at a meeting on March 1, 1962, that a new organization was to be set up. **BUTTERWORTH** explained that the organization would be a front organization of the **United Klans** and its purpose would be to sponsor and organize a series of segregationist events in Atlanta, Georgia in July, 1962, during the week scheduled for the annual national convention of the **National Association for the Advancement of Colored People**.

Records of the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia reflect a charter was granted on April 10, 1962, to the **Defensive Legion of Registered Americans, Inc. (DLRA)** as a non-profit group, whose purpose is to "uphold the American economic system of free enterprise; to oppose Communism, Marxism, Mongrelism, and Nihilism in all their many forms; to uphold the sovereignty of the fifty states of our Union in their respective spheres; to help in the election of public officials, who believe in the principal of abiding strictly by the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitutions of the Fifty States of the United States; to educate the people of the United States as to the wisdom and righteousness of the traditional way of life our forefathers established; to force adherence to the states rights of each sovereign state in the Union of the United States."

On April 18, 1962, the first source advised that **JAMES R. VENABLE**, Legal Counsel for **United Klans**, was President of the **DLRA** and **HERBERT WALLACE BUTTERWORTH** was secretary. The source stated that an office had been set up in the **Walter R. Brown Building**, Pryor and Hunter Streets; Atlanta, Georgia, and a mailing address obtained at P. O. Box 58, Decatur, Georgia.

A third source advised in September, 1962, that the **Christian Voters and Buyers League** had been established as a group within **DLRA** to distribute anti-Jewish and anti-Negro phonograph records and literature.

The first source advised in February, 1963, that **DLRA** continues to distribute anti-Jewish and anti-Negro phonograph records featuring the voice of **HERBERT WALLACE BUTTERWORTH**, who is a former radio announcer.